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CAMPUS | PARKING

Concerns reaffirmed at forum

Lots between Life Science Building and Klehm Hall, and between Union and Doudna among discussion

By **EMILY ZULZ**
Administration Editor

The parking forum held on Wednesday reaffirmed concerns brought up in the results of a survey done by the Council on University Planning and Budgets to solve parking issues.

Jackie Worden, senior library specialist at Booth Library, brought up concerns about the construction blocking parking spots between the Life Science Building and Klehm Hall, and between the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Jeff Cross, associate vice president for academic affairs, was in attendance and able to answer Worden’s concerns.

“The spaces between the university union and the fine arts center will not be returned to parking,” he said.

These spaces, as well as the spaces between the Life Science Building and Doudna, will be turned into space for landscape, Cross said.

“Here we are needing space, and we’re taking away space,” Worden said.

He said these decisions were part of the Campus Master Plan.

“The general scope of the master plan was to move parking to the peripheral of campus, which is why these are not being returned to parking,” Cross said.

Worden asked Cross what that would mean for emergency vehicle access into these spots.

Cross said even though these spots will be green spaces, they will include pedestrian walkways and access will be preserved for emergency vehicles.

Pat Fewell, previous chair of CUPB, acted as the moderator to the forum. She said her role was not to defend the recommendations but take in the information.

“I’m trying not to have a vested interest,” she said.

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ROBBIE WROBLEWSKI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Jeff Ross explains that some of the lots around campus that were originally for parking are now going to be used for “green space” at Wednesday evening’s parking forum in the Physical Sciences Building.

HOUSING | PEMBERTON

Web site to promote hall’s history

Site to acknowledge 100th Anniversary celebration for Housing and Dining

By **BRITTON GARCIA**
Campus Editor

Mark Hudson would like to call himself a dreamer.

With the 100th anniversary celebration for Housing and Dining coming up soon, he has the idea of implementing a Web site for residence halls.

“Sometime in the future I want to launch a site to show history, to share experiences,” said Hudson, director of Housing and Dining.

Hudson said the website would reflect the university’s history.

“With the 100th anniversary, we are collecting very interesting things from Pemberton (Hall),” Hudson said. “People are sharing items and stories.”

This site will be made for current students, prospective students and alumni.

Hudson said one of his goals is to make the site available directly from the university’s main page for easy access.

Chelsea Fredrick, assistant director of Alumni Services, believes this is a great idea.

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KAROLINA STRACK | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Erica Roa, alcohol and tobacco educator from the HERC, speaks about BAC levels and alcohol poisoning in the Lumpkin auditorium on Wednesday. The lecture is a part of 6-Pack, which is a six week long series.

CAMPUS | EVENT

Staying in the ‘green zone’

Topics of discussion include knowing your tolerance levels, affects of alcohol

By **JESSICA LEGGIN**
Activities Editor

Erica Roa asked students what they expect to get out of drinking.

A damn good time, a little bit of poker and a friend for the next five hours were some of the answers given by students.

On Wednesday, the Health Resource Education Center sponsored the “Six-Pack Series, Part 3” on alcohol poisoning in Lumpkin Hall.

Roa, the alcohol and tobacco education coordinator, said she was not going to use any scare tactics for this lecture.

“I am not going to show pictures of anyone dead,” she said. “Studies show that scare tactics do not work.”

Instead, Roa went for the conversational approach.

“If you blow a .08, it is a possibility you are really at a .10.”

-Erica Roa, the alcohol and tobacco education coordinator from the Health Resource Education Center

“I welcome in conversations, and have others to ask questions, and have it be interactive,” she said.

For the lecture, Roa covered the basics of blood alcohol level.

The BAC is the milligrams of alcohol per milligram of blood usually expressed as a percentage.

Roa said a blood test is the only way to obtain a true BAC.

“Breathalyzers are an estimate,” she said. “If you blow a .08, it is a possibility that you are really at a .10.”

Roa said students should want to stay in the “green zone.”

The green zone is between a 0.0 and 0.5/0.6 BAC level.

Roa said this point is usually

called the “buzz” level.

“It’s like one or two beers depending on your body type,” she said. “We like to stay in the green.”

Roa said when a person starts to drink they can feel relaxed and judgment can be impaired.

“These are the early stages of the ‘I love everybody’ syndrome,” she said. “After that it goes all down hill.”

During the lecture, Roa explained to students what will happen if one passed the “green zone” mark.

Roa said between a BAC of .06 and .10 is where someone hits the disinhibition mark.

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ENTERTAINMENT | A DAILY LOOK

Cash recording to be released with documentary

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — An unreleased recitation by Johnny Cash will be available as part of a new documentary examining Cash's views on America.

In "I Am The Nation," the deep-voiced singer personifies the country with references to important events and people in American history.

The recording was discovered in Cash's personal belongings after his death. It will be released as part of "Johnny Cash's America," a documentary airing Oct. 23 on the Biography Channel. The companion DVD/CD package on Legacy Re-

cordings will be available Oct. 28.

The documentary features interviews with Bob Dylan; Al Gore; Snoop Dogg; Sheryl Crow; Steve Earle; Kris Kristofferson; Loretta Lynn; Merle Haggard; U.S. Sen. Lamar Alexander; Tim Robbins; Vince Gill; Cash; his sister, Joanne; and his children, John Carter Cash and Cindy Cash.

In the film, Cash, who was outspoken on social issues, discusses the political process and the two parties.

Kidman credits fertile water with pregnancy

SYDNEY, Australia — Oscar-winning actress Nicole Kidman said

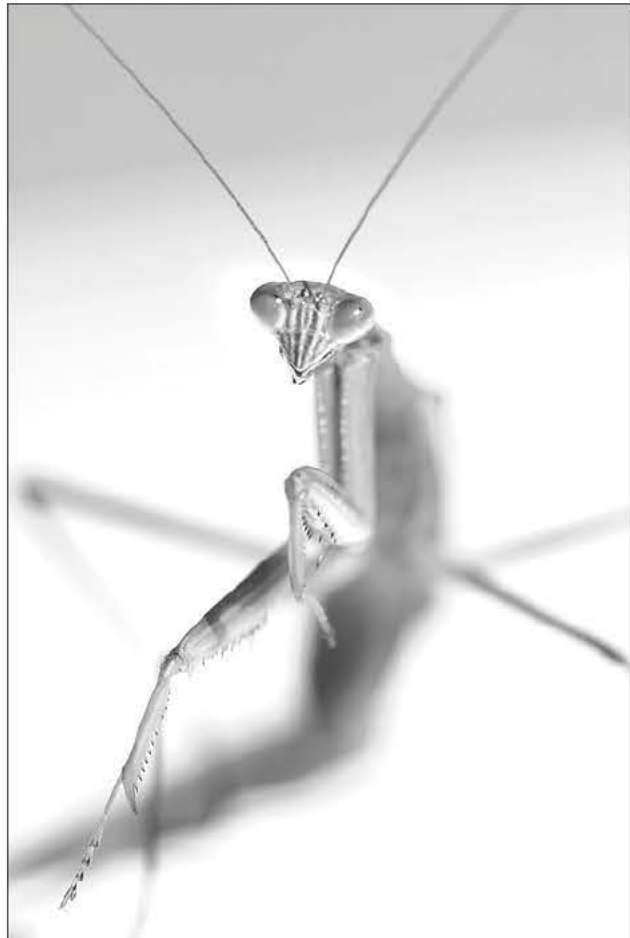
swimming in Australian Outback waterfalls may promote fertility and might have contributed to her unexpected pregnancy over the past year.

The 41-year-old Aussie, who gave birth to daughter Sunday Rose in July, said she and six other women who swam in the waters of a small Outback town during production of the epic romance "Australia" became pregnant.

"I never thought that I would get pregnant and give birth to a child, but it happened on this movie," Kidman told The Australian Women's Weekly in an exclusive interview for the magazine's 75th anniversary edition, released Wednesday.

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Basking in the sun



ERIC HILTNER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A praying mantis basks in the sun while resting on the roof of a car near Ninth street and Arthur Avenue on Monday.

WHAT THE... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS

Neb. college town legislators ban the porch couch

The Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Relaxing on the porch in a ratty recliner might not be allowed in Lincoln any longer.

The city council voted 5-2 Monday to ban porch couches and other indoor furniture used outside.

Supporters of the ban say it's a way to help revitalize older neighborhoods. It also likely targets college students who move in and out of rental homes.

Lincoln is home to the campus of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. An aide to the mayor says he doesn't intend to veto the ordinance, which goes into effect Oct. 7.

NJ farm flings pumpkins with giant catapult

NEWTON, N.J. — One New Jersey farm has a special attraction to go with the season's hay rides and corn mazes: giant pumpkin catapult.

A group of middle school students who became obsessed with the medieval weapon asked northern New Jersey farmers Anthony and Heidi Lentini if they could use physics to fling the big orange squash.

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CITY | EVENT

Eastern student holds charity event

Panther Paw Bar and Grill hosts sports auction; proceeds go to foundation

By **KRYSTAL MOYA**
City Editor

Blue and white football shoes with Sharpie-scribbled names like Desmond Clark and Jason McKie line the pages of Mark Brady's raffle binder.

Brady, a 25-year-old Marine veteran and Eastern transfer student, has collected almost 40 autographed items from football foundations across the country and is raffling them off at the Panther Paw Bar and Grill, 1412 Fourth St., for charity.

The event follows the football season, with raffle tickets sold on Sundays.

Winners will be announced at the Panther Paw during regular business hours on Nov. 8.

Prizes will be distributed on the following Sunday.

All of the proceeds from the raffle will be given to the Jason McKie Foundation, a charity organization that "provides educational scholarships to children and spouses affected by a loss or severely injured parent or spouse," according to its Web site.

The foundation focuses on families of military veterans because Chicago Bears fullback Jason McKie's father was an active duty member of the military for more than 20 years and now currently works in the Pentagon.

McKie is the founder of the organization.

Brady called the foundation last year in order to make a donation and purchase tickets to an event.



ALYCIA ROCKEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore criminology major Mark Brady stands outside the Panther Paw Bar and Grill where he donated sports memorabilia to be auctioned on Sundays during football games.

He was told the tickets were sold out.

The operator then asked if he was a veteran and when he said yes he and three friends from his fratern-

ity, Tau Kappa Epsilon, at Indiana State University were invited to the event by the foundation.

From there, Brady learned about the foundation and its cause, birth-

"The plan was a little hit or miss because we had to put it on hold. But I knew it was something we were going to do."

— **Mark Brady,**
Eastern student

ing the idea for a community service project for the entire fraternity. One hiccup in the plans stood in Brady's way.

He had a baby girl on the way and was planning to move to Charleston.

"The plan was a little hit or miss because we had to put it on hold," Brady said. "But I knew it was something we were going to do."

Brady, who was active duty for the war in Iraq for four years, felt compelled to this foundation by its ties to the veteran community.

"It is something I can relate to," he said. "You get to know families and you know that tragedies happen."

Brady's fraternity has already raised \$6,000 with each member donating \$20 to attend the drawing in November.

The event is open to everyone and anyone can donate to the cause by buying a raffle ticket.

Binders with pictures and descriptions of the items up for prizes are provided at Panther Paw.

Raffle tickets are \$1 for one, \$5 for six and \$20 for 30.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Voter registration drive today

The Eastern chapter of the NAACP, the Black Student Union and Delta Sigma Theta are hosting a voter registration drive through Oct. 2. Voter registration is available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the South Quad. Registration will be available at Coleman Hall, Taylor Hall and the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on Sept. 30. The registration booth will also be in the South Quad on Oct. 2.

Session on Disney internship today

Students interested in the Disney College Program can attend an informational session at noon today in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The program allows students to intern at Disney. After accepted into the program, students take college-level courses for credit, network with Disney leaders and audition for entertainment roles.

This is the last informational session. Students, who are unable to attend the sessions, can view an e-presentation at www.disneycollegeprogram.com.

Jupiter could be on display Friday

The public is welcomed to attend a viewing of either the Andromeda Galaxy or Jupiter, depending on visibility, at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the EIU Observatory. Even if it is cloudy, the observatory will be open for tours. For more information, call 581-3220.

Fundraiser for American Red Cross Saturday

Eastern and the American Red Cross will host the second annual "EIU: Run for a Reason, Run Red" event at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Pavilion. Participants will raise donations for the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund. Each year, the Coles and Clark Counties Illinois Branch Office of the American Red Cross provides emergency relief to residents affected by disasters.

Registration for the race begins before 9 a.m. For more information, call 581-6435.

— *Compiled by News Editor Stephen Di Benedetto.*

CORRECTION

Morgan Slattery's position on Panhellenic Council was incorrect in Tuesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*. She is vice president of membership development.

On page 4 of *The Daily Eastern News*, Robyn Paige, interim director of fraternity and sorority programs, was attributed to a comment she did not make.

The *DEN* regrets the error.

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CAMPUS | EVENT

Film 'The Host' ties to current political events

Phi Beta Kappa annual fall lecture to include movie, award-winning guest speaker

By **BRIDGET PEARSON**
Staff Reporter

Students who want to gain insight on a conflict between an enormous monster and a powerful virus might want to stop by the Tarble Arts Center today.

Hsuan Hsu, English professor at the University of California, will speak about Bong Joon-Ho's 2006 South Korean box-office hit, "The Dangers of Biosecurity: The Host and the Geopolitics of Outbreak." The movie centers on a monster that hosts a new and powerful virus.

Hsu is the guest speaker for Phi Beta Kappa's 19th annual fall lecture at 7 tonight in Tarble.

"Students will be able to gain so much from learning about the film's multiple engagements with important issues of today," said Suzie Park, president of Phi Beta Kappa.

She added Hsu would make a compelling argument about the film's

ties to outbreak narrative, monster movies, economic crises and current political events.

Prior to the lecture, there was a screening of the film on Wednesday.

Park said if students were unable to attend the viewing, they would still find the lecture to be beneficial and easy to follow because they will be showing short clips and stills from the film.

Park said when the organization met last spring to discuss possible scholars to bring to campus for the event, she proposed bringing Hsu, an old friend from graduate school.

"I told members that Hsuan would be working on a paper on biosecurity and the film, 'The Host,' over the summer," Park said. "They liked the idea, and we invited Hsuan, who has been excited about giving this talk at EIU ever since."

Hsu received his Ph.D. in English from the University of California, Berkeley, and his A.B. degree Summa Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Harvard University.

Hsu has published an essay collection, as well as been published in a wide variety of journals. He is currently working on a book, "Geography, Genre and the Production of

FACT BOX

Hsuan Hsu has received many honors and awards including:

- Yale's A Whitney Griswold Research Award
- Nineteenth Century Studies Association Emerging Scholars Award
- Margaret Church Memorial Prize for the best essay in Modern Fiction Studies.

Scale in Nineteenth-Century U.S. Literature."

Other sponsors of this event include the English department and Tarble.

English professor Dagni Brede-sen said "The Host" provides a cautionary tale about the influence of humans meddling with nature.

"This is an opportunity to see a B-grade horror film and listen to an expert in the study of popular culture offer us critical insight into the implications of this film beyond its fear factor," she said.

Park said the lecture has a wide appeal and interdisciplinary

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— **Suzie Park,**
Phi Beta Kappa president

approach, and many different colleges and departments have supported these two events.

Michael Watts, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, said Tarble is hosting the event because the center presents various public programs centering on the arts.

"Much contemporary art deals with current social and political issues, of which 'The Host' is just one example," he said.

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GENOPOLITICS: USELESS JUNK

Indiana U. – The journal *Science* recently published a report on research at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln’s political physiology laboratory – seemingly the only one in the world – suggesting there might be physiological differences between liberals and conservatives. However nice it might feel to think our ideological opposites have less and less in common with us, this report seems completely bogus and should not be taken too seriously.

It’s no more than junk science that provides highly sensational results.

The study had a whopping 46 subjects. It measured people’s voting records on such policies as warrantless searches, school prayer and the Patriot Act against their reactions to disturbing images like a bloody face or a spider.

Researchers found those who reacted most to these extreme images were more likely to support the aforementioned policies. The experiment did not define what “liberal” and “conservative” mean, in general or with respect to the voting issues used. What it means to be a liberal or conservative has certainly changed throughout the years.

Even if a definition is provided, the results can change with time – by today’s standards someone could be a liberal or a conservative but in the past possibly they weren’t. In the future, who knows? The only kernel of truth to the idea that there are physiological differences between liberals and conservatives is that there are physiological differences between all of us – even those of us who are most alike. Twins don’t even share the same neural structure.

There is a difference between the neural structure of a conservative and liberal, but there is also a difference between two liberals. We’re currently in no position to say one arrangement or another is the prototypical “liberal” or “conservative” neural structure.

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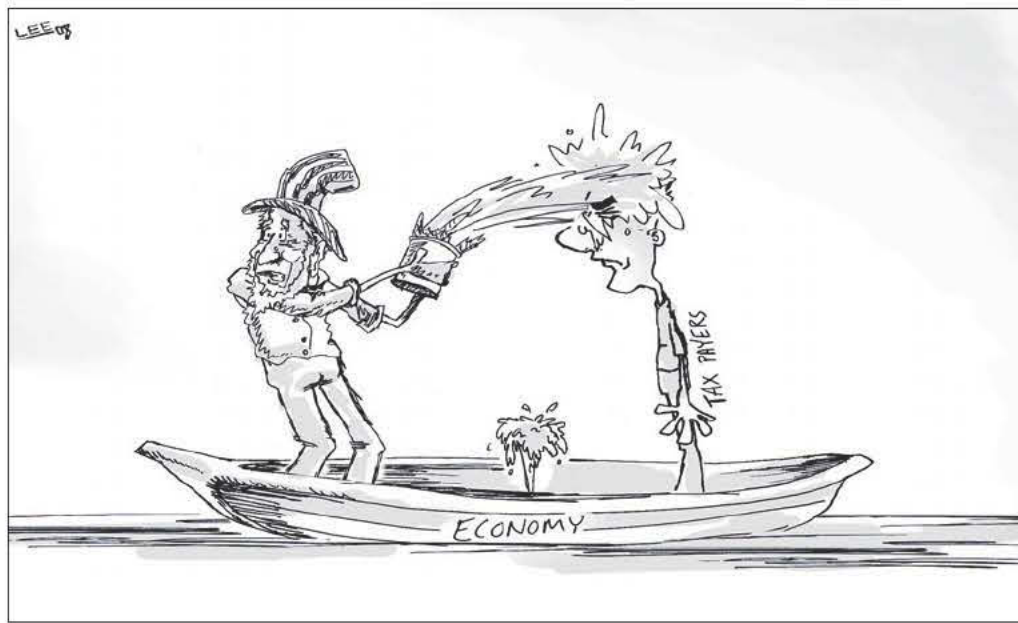
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Drawn from the News | Chris Lee



STAFF EDITORIAL

After eight years,
EWP is still not working

We’ve heard students complain time and time again about the woes of the Electronic Writing Portfolio and now, finally, some professors are coming forth and speaking out about the requirement.

However, all parties involved are making the process more complicated than it should be. The fundamental goal at large is improving the quality of education at Eastern.

The EWP was first instituted in 2000 and eight years later nothing has changed because no one can agree on how it should operate.

Just this month, two changes have been made to the EWP – papers can now be submitted electronically and a remedial portion was added.

Submitting papers online and changing the guidelines so that pieces could be from any course as long as it is at least 750 words long and in standard English was a way to make the requirement more student friendly. Students will also not have to endure a walk to Ninth Street Hall, which is also a plus.

The Council on Academic Affairs passed the new guidelines after the Committee on the Assessment of Student Learning determined that some changes were needed based on student and faculty feedback.

It definitely was about time changes were made to the EWP to benefit students, but the remedial portion seems to be adding another headache.

Some faculty are not too happy about the remedial portion that was added to the EWP, and they have justifiable reason to be concerned.

According to the EWP document, “Students whose first two submissions need improvement or are unsatisfactory will be required to take a diagnostic writing exam. Those who do not pass the exam with a minimal score will be required to complete a non-credit, one-semester hour, small group/one-on-one writing tutorial.”

But how much can be learned in a one-semester hour class, especially if they haven’t learned by their college career the basics of paperwriting?

And for those who are still struggling, Eastern has The Writing Center. If professors notice that a student isn’t the strongest writer, that is where they should be directed.

This also brings up the point that if students don’t pass the EWP, how are they passing their writing intensive courses?

So, if the EWP is going so far as to implement additional writing classes for students who pass their courses, then maybe the problem lies deeper within Eastern’s curriculum development.

Angela Vietto, associate professor of English, said in Tuesday’s *The Daily Eastern News*, that the assumption behind adding a remedial course seems to be that the grades professors give are meaningless and that they pass students whether or not their writing is acceptable.

This also brings up the point that the EWP is

OUR VIEW

• **Situation:** The Electronic Writing Portfolio has been changed yet again and now includes a potential remedial class for students.

• **Stance:** The EWP changes are raising bigger curriculum questions pertaining to grading and therefore the EWP is not needed anymore.

no longer serving its initial purpose.

The point of the EWP is for the university to look at what it’s doing and determine whether or not it needs to do a better job.

Therefore, Eastern should consider eliminating the EWP program completely and consequently tighten enrollment by requiring an essay as an admission requirement.

Making the students sit through a remedial course after they have already passed the class of which the paper came from will not improve the problem.

Professors, instead, should be the ones sitting through a class if they are passing students who don’t meet the writing standards, and the university would need to look at how writing intensive and general education classes incorporate writing.

An admission requirement would help ensure that students with adequate writing skills get admitted into the university.

Or at the very least, the admission essay could be used to determine if students need to start their college career with a remedial course.

Details of the currently suggested remedial course and exam are still not finalized as well, which makes it all the more difficult for students and faculty to make sense of what the EWP requires them to do.

Details are still being discussed by a subcommittee within the Committee for the Assessment of Student Learning.

How can something with details not set in stone be put into effect?

It is currently unclear who would teach the remedial courses and Vietto said she thinks it could possibly be the English department.

This would make sense, but then again shouldn’t students already be getting the proper education from the English department?

Students already have to get a grade C or higher in English 1001 (composition and language) and 1002 (composition and literature).

Whether the English department teaches the course or not is something that should have been decided by now.

The remedial portion went into effect this month; therefore, these details need to be worked out soon.

Besides problems within the EWP details, the requirement is, and always will be, a moot point.

After eight years of this requirement being on campus, it clearly still needs to be tweaked. A better solution would be to do away with the EWP entirely.



MATT HOPF

Campaign
madness

It would be reasonable to say that I would be considered a minority in most newsrooms across the country. I hate the presidential election. Specifically, I hate campaigning.

I’ll listen to the speeches at conventions and glance at polls to see where candidates currently are. I generally keep up for the most part, to get an idea of which candidate I will support in the election, but I hate the campaigns.

Both Barack Obama and John McCain love to talk, like most politicians. They talk about how they can fix the economy, energy concerns and the environment. It’s back and forth between the candidates on a regular basis.

With about a month and a half to go until the election, I finally heard something that actually makes a little bit of sense, but it is all for show.

McCain wants to delay Friday night’s debate to focus on the country’s financial problems. He said he would also suspend campaigning to focus on the economy.

This situation could be problematic for Obama either way. If he suspends campaigning, it appears he is following McCain’s lead. If Obama continues campaigning, some voters may think he’s putting the campaign ahead of the country.

The Obama campaign said it would rather keep the debate on schedule as planned, with Obama saying the importance of the country involves hearing from the next president.

The Obama campaign did privately suggest that McCain and Obama issue a joint statement in support of a package to help fix the economy.

At a news conference, Obama said he proposed the idea of the joint statement to McCain, after McCain announced his plan to delay the debate.

There is really no way either of the candidates can stop campaigning. They will be in the spotlight no matter if they suspend the campaign or not.

While McCain’s idea is admirable, he will still get positive media coverage, which is a major part of the campaign.

It is true something needs to be done with the proposed \$700 billion Wall Street bailout plan.

McCain said he wants President George Bush to convene a leadership meeting in Washington, which would include both him and Obama.

Currently, the Bush administration is pushing the \$700 billion plan, which comes from the taxpayers. McCain said he doesn’t think Congress would approve the plan in its current form, and I’m sure he isn’t the only one who would say that.

If Congress does not pass a plan, credit will dry up and people will not be able to purchase homes and businesses will not have enough money, McCain said.

The Bush administration has said without the passing of the bailout the economy would get worse.

McCain and Obama are both trying to use the bipartisan card in their campaigns. While it looks nice to see politicians trying to work together, in the end the election is the only thing that concerns them.

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» Parking

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Cross said part of the reason he was at the forum was to speak in favor of the concept of building a parking structure on the north side of the softball field.

His concept would include one or more floors and commercial space.

The structure would be near the Library Quad, Doudna and athletic venues, and could accommodate traffic flow from all three areas.

Worden said she liked Cross' concept of using the structure also as a commercial venue so the cost

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- Pat Fewell, previous chair of CUPB

of construction would not have to be shouldered entirely by Eastern.

"I don't see how it can be done without building a structure at some point," she said.

Anna Kirbach, a senior early childhood major, had some unease

with Cross' concept.

"Would I be able to park in the structure during the day, or would it just be for special events and athletics?" she said.

Fewell said that was "to be determined."

"If I can't park in it, I don't want to pay for it," Kirbach said.

Sarah Shaw, a junior early childhood education major, said she considered Southeast Missouri State University before choosing Eastern.

She said that school is comparable in size to Eastern, and they have a parking structure.

Shaw said she used to live on campus and worked off campus last year.

"Underclass parking is very limited," she said.

Fewell was pleased to see student participate.

About 10 people were in attendance at the forum held in the

Physical Sciences Building, half being students.

She said people still have an opportunity to give their input through e-mail.

"I do hope the freshmen, who were not on campus when we did the survey, will take a moment and respond to the president," she said.

Fewell said she believed President Bill Perry will take and read every e-mail he gets.

All comments were taken down at both public forums and the e-mails will also be collected.

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» Alcohol

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Roa said at this point, driving is not an option.

"There is no way you should ever be driving," she said.

Roa said if one continues to drink, alcohol could affect their reflexes, understanding and even bladder function.

"Some people will urinate on themselves," Roa said.

Roa also covered one's tolerance level when it comes to alcohol.

"Who thinks they have a relatively high tolerance?" Roa asked the students. "Like after a 12-pack you're still standing."

There are two types of tolerance.

Metabolic tolerance depends on how the body processes alcohol.

"This is how our liver breaks down the enzymes in alcohol," Roa said.

Function tolerance is a feeling.

Roa said this is when people claim they are fine.

"This is when you feel like you can stand up straight after a case," she said.

Roa said a person's body type is

a big factor when it comes to tolerance.

"The amount of body fat you have can depend on your tolerance," she said. "A real skinny girl can have a higher BAC than someone who is very muscular and lean."

When it comes to drinking, Roa said students should know critical signs.

The signs can be mental confusion, slow breathing, hypothermia, irregular breathing and seizures.

Roa said someone does not have to possess all of these signs to be in danger.

"You are not waiting for all of these signs," she said. "All it takes is one sign that sends up a red flag."

Charles Legrand, a freshman undecided major, said he found the presentation to be informative.

"It was light-hearted and it was a jolly time," he said.

Legrand said this was a great time for students to come together and learn about the affects of alcohol.

"You are always curious and self-conscious," he said. "This was essential for the safety of the campus."

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» Web site

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"This is a great idea for students," Fredrick said. "For those alumni who cannot make it to the 100th anniversary, it will be good for them to still be a part of the history."

She said she couldn't believe the relationships current students and alumni have made in Pemberton Hall.

"I think it's important to honor the past and where we came from," Hudson said. "And when you do that, it gives a richer experience you will have now."

Fredrick said she believes Pemberton is more than just a residence hall and should be known for its history and accomplishments.

"Pemberton was the first resident hall on a campus and once it was pushed by legislation, other universities started to do it," Fredrick said. "Eastern has really paved the way on campus housing for campuses across the state."

The Web site will allow viewers to post and read stories of experiences they had in Pemberton. Hudson's goal is to allow people to connect

"Pemberton was the first resident hall on a campus and once it was pushed by legislation, other universities started to do it."

- Chelsea Fredrick, assistant director of Alumni Services

with one another and show pride in where they lived on campus. He also wants the Web site to show the history of the building and why the structure is significant to campus.

There have been scrapbooks preserved from the early 1960s kept in Pemberton that are currently being digitalized in University Media Services for the site.

"This will allow alumni to digitally flip through," Hudson said.

Right now, Hudson said they are in the conceptual stage and no timeline has been set until the actual celebration, which will take place during Homecoming weekend.

Brittany Mackowiak, a sophomore resident assistant in Pemberton, thinks this is a good idea.

"I think this is a good thing for current students and older students," Mackowiak said. "There is a lot of

history to it because when you walk in, it's unique."

Mackowiak said when girls view this Web site they are surely going to be attracted to it by the structure and uniqueness. By reading the stories and viewing photographs, it shows Pemberton really meant something to the alumni, Mackowiak added.

"I hope the girls utilize it. I know I will," Mackowiak said. "I know girls who love this building, and they show pride."

She added this Web site will allow students to connect to alumni.

"A Web site is such a quick way to communicate and opens doors for people who used to live here," Mackowiak said. "And you couldn't get that in a letter."

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CAMPUS | MEETING

Perry picks student representative for search

Tiffany Turner to join Vice President for Business Affairs Search Committee

By **HEATHER HOLM**
Student Government Editor

Eastern President Bill Perry selected Tiffany Turner, student vice president for business affairs, as the student representative for the Vice President for Business Affairs Search Committee.

Turner was announced for the job during Wednesday's Student Senate meeting.

The search committee will look for candidates for a new vice president for business affairs since Jeff Cooley, current vice president for business affairs, is retiring in December.

The committee will meet on Monday, where Turner and other faculty will discuss a packet for the layout of what good qualifications are to be vice president of business affairs.

Student Body President Levi Bulgar picked three students from Student Government who he thought qualified to be on the search committee and Perry chose among them.

The three other students were Student Exec-



ERIN MATHENY/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Vice President for Business Affairs Tiffany Turner, right, laughs as Vice President for Student Affairs Ryan Kerch, left, receives a high five from Executive Vice President Eric Wilber at Wednesday night's Student Government meeting.

utive Vice President Eric Wilber, Apportionment Board Secretary Sarah Shaw and Academic Affairs Chair Chris Kromphardt. Wilber is the student representative for Charleston's City Council and works for Chapin Rose, R-Mahomet, and Kromphardt is a member of the EIU Democrats.

"I have not served on a committee like this before, but I am the vice president of business affairs in Student Senate so I think it is a good transition to the student representative of the Search Committee," Turner said.

Stephen Dalechek was also approved as the Enrollment Management Advisory Commit-

tee, and one more person is needed for the Committee of Reinstatement.

The Committee of Reinstatement deals with letting people back into Eastern who were previously kicked out.

"It is the committee's (Enrollment Management Advisory Committee) job to figure out ways to keep enrollment at around 12,000 students, since that is what President Perry wants it at," Wilber said.

Wilber also announced that the Illinois Board of Higher Education Student Advisory Committee, which advises the IBHE on any issue that may affect schools such as budgets or major changes, is looking for Student Senate representatives.

Wilber is the voting delegate and Bulgar is the Chair of Public Sections. The board has three sections – public, private and community colleges. The advisory committee will meet with the Illinois board on Oct. 4 and 5.

Bulgar also announced that nine applications have come in for Student Supreme Court and three students have been chosen already, but will not be announced yet.

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CITY | SCHOOL FESTIVITIES

Charleston High School prepares for homecoming

Community says event is downplayed

By **KRYSTAL MOYA**
City Editor

Charleston High School is gearing up for its homecoming festivities next week amid a month full of community activities.

The high school will compete this month with parades from the junior high school and the Jaycees organization for Halloween, as well as Eastern's own homecoming parade.

Community members have begun to realize the high school's festivities are often downplayed in Charleston media coverage and community involvement.

"I rarely see anything but a few local sports stories about the high school since I have been at Eastern," said Julia Holecek, a foreign languages major. "Having a university in the towns proves to be too overshadowing for the high schools in the same areas."

The annual homecoming parade is an event that focuses on uniting Charleston and spotlighting the

high school's students, said assistant principal Trevor Doughty.

"It's only logical that we would have less attendance than EIU," he said. "It is probably like that in Edwardsville, Champaign and Dekalb, too."

Despite the obvious difference in community attendance on the parade route, students are thrilled to be participating.

The amount of floats and the effort involved has grown in Doughty's 20 years at the high school.

"We have seen student involvement grow and grow," he said. "We

have student council and the Trojettes and many others."

Doughty did not think students were motivated by Eastern's community involvement.

"We don't see this as a competition," Doughty said. "But, I also don't see EIU's soccer team walking in the parade."

Doughty said the high school parade encompasses every student activity and organization from athletics to the Thespian Club, which allows the students to stay involved and remain excited about homecoming for the weeks to come.

The high school works closely with the college to schedule events so the high-schoolers have their own time to celebrate and the community is not forced to choose.

"I really think that EIU and Charleston High School have a great relationship, and the students realize that EIU is a big thing around here," he said. "They are excited to participate in the EIU events just as much as the rest of the community."

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STATE BRIEFS

The Associated Press

Regulators approve \$162M rate increase

SPRINGFIELD— State regulators on Wednesday approved a \$162 million annual rate increase for Ameren Illinois natural gas and electric customers, money the company said will fund infrastructure improvements throughout its coverage area. The Illinois Commerce Commission approved the increase, which will take effect Oct. 1, after rejecting Ameren's original request for a \$247 million increase.

Afterward, the Citizens Utility Board, a consumer watchdog group, said it would appeal the ICC's ruling, claiming the utility had inflated its expenses to justify the increase.

"Ameren overstated its expenses to justify an exorbitant rate hike it doesn't need or deserve, and that's why we plan to appeal," CUB Executive Director David Kolata said.

"That's the last thing Ameren customers need as they face tough economic times, soaring energy prices, and an expensive Illinois winter."

State: Wait, that's not where the \$1 million was supposed to go

SPRINGFIELD— Gov. Rod Blagojevich's administration is demanding repayment of a \$1 million grant it has admitted it gave to the wrong private school.

The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity wrote officials at the Loop Lab School requesting it return the money, which Blagojevich acknowledged went to the school through a "bureaucratic mistake."

Blagojevich had said the money would be used to help rebuild Pilgrim Baptist.

WORLD | SAFETY

China's milk leads to global recalls

The Associated Press

BEIJING — An industrial chemical that made its way into China's dairy supplies and that authorities blame in the death of four babies has turned up in numerous Chinese-made exports abroad — from candies to yogurt to rice balls.

British supermarket chain Tesco removed Chinese-made White Rabbit Creamy Candies off its shelves as a precaution amid reports that samples of the milk candy in Singapore and New Zealand had tested positive for melamine — an industrial chemical used to make plastics and fertilizer.

Chinese baby formula tainted with the chemical has been blamed for the deaths of four infants and the illnesses of 53,000 others in China. Health experts say ingesting a small amount of the chemical poses no danger, but melamine can cause kidney stones and lead to kidney failure. Infants are particularly vulnerable.

More than a dozen countries have banned or recalled Chinese dairy products — the latest was France which does not import Chi-

nese dairy products but has halted imports of Chinese biscuits, candy or other foods that could contain Chinese dairy derivatives.

Indonesia on Wednesday also distributed a list of 28 products that it said may contain tainted Chinese milk, including Oreo cookies, Snickers bars and M&M chocolate candies.

Tesco said that it had withdrawn White Rabbit Creamy Candies off its shelves as a precaution.

"We are looking at a wide range of products ... primarily baby formulas as they pose the highest risk, and now we're moving through all the other... products that may contain adulterated milk," said New Zealand Food Safety Authority spokesman Geoff Allen

Melamine has been found in infant formula and other milk products from 22 Chinese dairy companies. Suppliers trying to cut costs are believed to have added it to watered-down milk to mask the resulting protein deficiency.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration said White Rabbit candy has been added to its list of products

being inspected at ports of entry, but that no melamine-tainted goods from China of any sort have turned up yet.

On Wednesday a Chinese official issued a public apology to consumers in Taiwan as the island's president, blasted Chinese milk producers.

"I condemn the mainland manufacturers that have produced fake milk and dairy creamer," Ma Ying-jeou said.

Authorities there ordered 160 products containing Chinese milk and vegetable-based proteins off store shelves, saying the goods had to be tested before they can go back on sale.

"The melamine situation just underscores the message that we are trying to deliver, and that is you have to know what's coming into your factory and what's going out of your factory," said Nancy Nord, acting head of the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission.

The Chinese government has been scrambling to show it is tackling the problem. In recent days, the government announced high-profile arrests and forced resignations of officials.

NATION BRIEFS

The Associated Press

Obama rebuffs McCain's call to delay debate

NEW YORK— The economic crisis and raw politics threatened to derail the first presidential debate as John McCain challenged Barack Obama to delay the Friday forum and join forces to help Washington fix the financial mess.

Obama rebuffed his GOP rival, saying the next president needs to "deal with more than one thing at once."

But McCain said they must focus on a bipartisan solution to the nation's financial woes as the Bush administration's \$700 billion bailout proposal seemed headed for defeat.

"I do not believe that the plan on the table will pass as it currently stands, and we are running out of time."

Residents of Ike-struck Galveston return

GALVESTON, Texas — Ten days after Hurricane Ike, this devastated beach town reopened to residents Wednesday with stern warnings about rotting cattle carcasses, snakes and swarms of mosquitoes.

City officials hoped most of the 45,000 residents who fled would stay away until more repairs could be made.

The city has limited drinking water, few working sewers, limited electricity and minimal medical facilities.

"I just can't get over this," said Anita Arredondo, 58. It's a shock. I could sit here and cry but oh well. We just have to make it day by day. We will be all right."

WORLD | NUCLEAR WEAPONS

N. Korea moves toward nuke program restart

The Associated Press

VIENNA, Austria — North Korea moved closer to restarting its nuclear arms program Wednesday, barring U.N. inspectors from its main plutonium reprocessing plant and announcing it will reactivate the facility that provided the material for its atomic test blast.

The move fed fears about a resurgent nuclear North Korea, but there

also is speculation it might be motivated by negotiating strategy.

Pyongyang could use the year needed to restart its sole reprocessing plant to wrest more concessions from the U.S. and others seeking to end the atomic program.

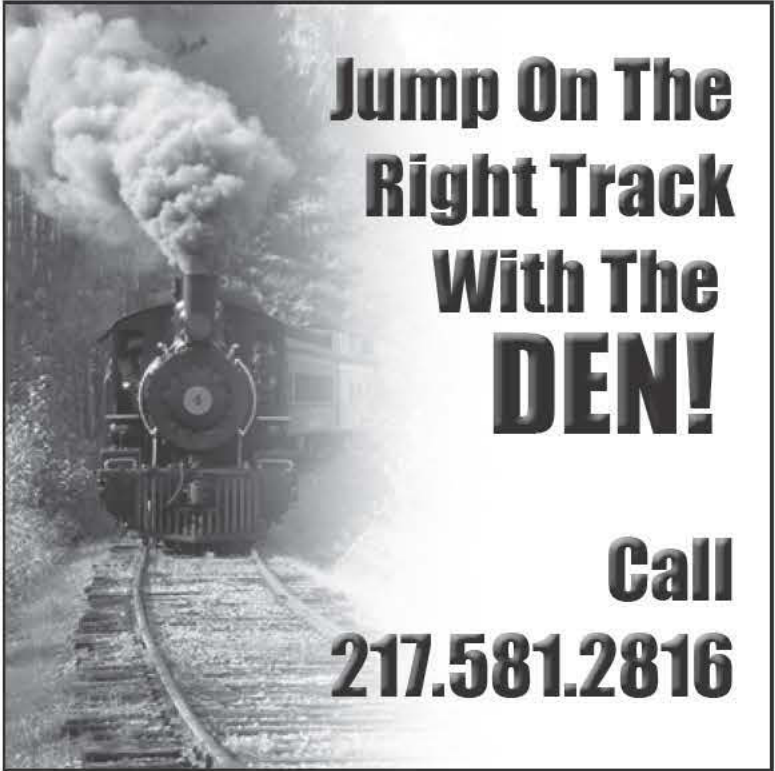
Still, coming amid reports leader Kim Jong Il suffered a stroke, the nuclear reversal is raising nervousness about a breakdown in the international attempt to coax the

North out of its confrontational isolation — a point addressed Wednesday by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Any move by Pyongyang to restart its nuclear program "would only deepen its isolation," Rice warned. "Material to the reprocessing plant in one week's time."

North Korea's recent moves have deepened the guessing game about leadership in Pyongyang.

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PANTHERS PLAY GLOBAL GAME

Six former Eastern athletes playing internationally

By KEVIN MURPHY
Managing Editor

Italy. Spain. Germany. Switzerland. Israel.

Henry Domercant. Kyle Hill. Emanuel Dildy. Josh Gomes. Bobby Catchings. Julio Anthony.

Five countries. Six former Eastern men's basketball players.

These former Panthers have started training for their respective international teams this season, but each player is at a different point in their life and their career.

Two are rookies just starting life as professional basketball players. The other four are veterans of international basketball.

But all six have two things in common. They are all professional athletes, and they are all thousands of miles from home.

Playing at the top of the international game

Domercant, a 2003 Eastern grad, is a long way away from Lantz Arena, but he is quickly progressing through the top teams in Europe.

The Panthers' all-time leading scorer with 2,602 points signed with Montepaschi Siena in Italy in July, signing a one-year deal with an option for a second season.

Domercant is coming off a stellar season with Moscow Dynamo, the top team in Russia.

The Dynamo reached the Union of European Basketball League Cup semifinals, and Domercant was named the league's regular season MVP.

He led the ULEB Cup last season with 20.9 points per game, shooting 57.1 percent from three-point range. Domercant also had 2.3 assists per game and was among the top 10 in steals with two per game.

"My contract in Russia was up, and the opportunity to play in Italy opened up," Domercant said. "I am trying to win a Euroleague championship and also win the Italian league championship."

Montepaschi Siena won the Italian regular season last season.

"The NBA is still a goal of mine in the future," Domercant said. "Playing overseas you meet a lot of interesting people and get to play basketball at a very high level."

Domercant has played at that high level for some of the top teams in Europe.

He reached the Greek League finals with the Olympiacos in the 2006-07 season.

Domercant also played with Turkey's Efes Pilsen in 2005-2006, which won the Turkish League in 2005 and the Turkish Cup in 2006.

He played for Karsiyaka in Turkey in the 2003-04 season after graduating from Eastern.

Domercant enters the season ranked 26th all-time on the Euroleague charts in 3-pointers made with 130.

"Many European teams play well," he said. "I have been fortunate to have been in good situations."

Domercant's Italian team will play teams from other countries including Greece, Spain and Lithuania. He said he travels to a new country every week or so.

"We play in the domestic league in Italy and then in the Euroleague which is made up of the top 24



COURTESY OF MOSCOW DYNAMO

Henry Domercant lunges for a ball during a game while playing with Moscow Dynamo. Domercant, a former Eastern men's basketball player, currently plays for Montepaschi in Siena, Italy. Domercant also played for some of the top teams in Russia, Greece and Turkey.



COURTESY OF DORI NIEMANN & JOSH GOMES

Josh Gomes looks to drive against an opponent while playing for AZS Koszalin in Poland. Gomes now plays for Ramat Gan in Tel Aviv, Israel. Ramat Gan is in the Israel Premeire League.

teams in Europe," Domercant said. "I have four other Americans on my team. Each team has at least two Americans."

Domercant has also earned Bosnian citizenship and played with the Bosnian national team in the 2006 World Championships.

Domercant, who is one of the most experienced former Eastern basketball players overseas, said he has learned a lot about playing internationally and living abroad.

"Living in Europe is an adjustment, but it is a good experience, and I've learned a lot about other cultures," he said.

Domercant said Montepaschi provides a furnished apartment and a car for when he stays in Siena, Italy.

He said one of the main things he learned while living abroad is how to stay in contact with people back home and in whatever country he might be in at the time.

Domercant's agent, Doug Neustadt of the Neustadt Group, helps with that.

"I've found that in many countries, many people speak English, especially in Western Europe," Domercant said. "We do have people who work with the club who will

translate if necessary."

Former Eastern head men's basketball coach Rick Samuels said he has tried to stay in contact with Domercant.

"He's become a player who's sought after," Samuels said. "He should be playing in the NBA. Henry's taking the best of his advantages."

Taking international experience to the NBA

Hill is also trying to make the best of his advantages while playing in Europe.

Hill, a 2001 Eastern grad, is playing with Alicante II in the LEB Gold League in Spain this season.

Hill has also played with teams from France, Spain, Bosnia and Greece.

He won two championships while playing in France

Hill now has his eyes set on the top prize.

"My career goals now are to make it to the first division in Spain," he said. "This is my first year in the second division in any country, but it is a really good situation for me. The money is good, as it is tax-free. My first few years overseas I was really trying to make it to the NBA after



COURTESY OF DORI NIEMANN & JOSH GOMES

Josh Gomes crouches down on defense while playing in a game for AZS Koszalin. Gomes graduated from Eastern in 2006.

being drafted by Dallas in the second round in 2002, but the money is too good (in Europe)."

Hill said he has a developed his life in Europe.

"Now, my wife and kids are here with me, but it is a wonderful experience

to play in Europe," he said. "Spain is the top level of competition in Europe. We play one time a week since we don't play in any other competition."

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» Overseas

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Hill's contract with Alicante II doesn't just provide him monetary compensation for playing basketball. It also provides a fully-furnished, three-bedroom house and a car provided by the team's sponsor.

Hill, Eastern's No. 3 all-time scorer, said he keeps in contact with his former coaches and a few of his teammates.

Samuels said he was told by an NBA scout, who was looking at players playing internationally, that Hill has the ability to take control of a game. Samuels said Hill has matured in his time overseas.

A Polish to Israeli basketball transition

Gomes is not quite necessarily the veteran of international basketball that Domercant and Hill are, but he does have experience in playing basketball overseas.

Gomes is playing with Ramat Gan in the Israel Premier League for the second straight season.

"I'm really happy to be there," Gomes said. "It's a great place to live."

This is the first full season Gomes will be playing in Tel Aviv. He started playing with Ramat Gan in the second half of last season, but his first experience in Israel was unique to say the least.

"We'd be in the games, and I'd see an M-16," Hill said. "It was my first time there. You have to go with an open mind. I don't listen to the media and how much the media portrays Israel. (Israel) stands on its own pretty well. It's not as bad as people say."

Gomes has also played for the Cape Verde national team because his father was a Cape Verde native.

Gomes said he played against the Dallas Mavericks' Dirk Nowitzki during an Olympic qualifying tournament while playing for Cape Verde this summer.

He said he will play for Cape Verde in the African National Tournament in a qualifying attempt to make the 2012 London Olympics.

Gomes has a two-year contract with Ramat Gan, which runs through the 2010 season.



COURTESY OF MOSCOW DYNAMO

Henry Domercant goes up for a dunk while playing in a game for Moscow Dynamo. Domercant, a 2003 Eastern graduate, is Eastern's all-time leading scorer with 2,602 points. His career point total is also good enough to rank the former Panther No. 26 in the all-time NCAA career rankings.

But during the offseason, he said he plans to get married in July.

"It makes it a little more comfortable," Gomes said about playing overseas once he's married next summer. "I love it. I would play in Europe until the wheels fall off. It's pretty tough. As far as playing, I would like staying playing in Israel, (but) I would like to play in other leagues."

Gomes was signed by AZS Koszalin in Poland before he played with Israel.

"I started out on a very high level," Gomes said. "I became a more well-rounded player."

Gomes said he consulted Domercant when he first started playing international basketball after college.

"We e-mail each other once a month," Gomes said. "He's a really a key factor that helped me adjust."

The two newest international Panthers

Anthony, who attended summer school at Eastern this summer, even-

tually made it overseas to Switzerland.

"I was about to go to a camp to see what country I would be playing in, and it was a very huge misunderstanding with my class schedule for the summer," Anthony said.

The former Eastern guard had originally signed up for a four-week summer school session but somehow ended up in the six-week session. This postponed his visit to a camp he was supposed to train at the end of the four-week session.

Anthony e-mailed DVD's of his play, with the help of Eastern men's basketball assistant coach Chrys Cornelius, to one of the producers of Eurobasket.com.

Anthony heard back from teams in Serbia, Germany and his current team, Luusanne, in the LNA League in Switzerland.

"I basically took everything into my own hands since it seemed as if nobody was going to help me," Anthony said.

Anthony said he plays two games

each week with conditioning and practice four days a week. He played in a tournament his first week with Luusanne, and his team made the championship game. He averaged 17.2 points a game, as his team lost in the championship game.

"I like Switzerland," Anthony said. "I never thought I would end up here, but it happened."

Anthony said he wants to eventually get on the NBA stage, and he wants to play in the NBA Summer League in 2010.

But for now he is content.

"I enjoy playing over here because it's hard work paying off," Anthony said. "The kids love you. They try to mimic my moves. The fans love you. It's amazing."

Anthony is also trying to adapt to his new lifestyle in Europe.

"The money could be better, but it's my first season," he said. "But I'm getting cut a good deal - two free meals a day, free apartment, free gear, a nice check each month - I'm happy with what I make."

Catchings is also set to begin his inaugural European basketball season in Spain for Coruna of the LEB Silver League, which is one level below the Gold League Hill plays in.

The former Eastern forward has played basketball most of his life, and playing professionally is one of his dreams. But he has a lot to live up too.

Tauja, his cousin, played women's basketball at Illinois, and Tamika Catchings, his other cousin, played at Tennessee. The former Lady Vol is currently a star with the Indiana Fever in the WNBA.

Harvey Catchings, his uncle, played in the NBA with the Philadelphia 76ers and the Milwaukee Bucks. His father, Robert, played at Oregon and Southern Illinois Edwardsville.

"My biggest career goal is to play for an ACB (Spanish league) or an NBA team," Catchings said. "But this season I would like to be the top rookie as well as help my team make it to the playoffs. Playing in the NBA has always been a dream of mine, but Europe provides great professional opportunities as well."

Catchings said his team is supposed to play 30 games this year against mostly Spanish teams with the playoffs occurring in May.

Catchings has his own apartment and lives about five minutes from the gym. He said the team is in the process of buying him a car, but for now the team's strength coach picks him up and drives him home.

Catchings is adjusting to not being at home like Anthony.

"I don't have a problem being here in Europe," Catchings said. "I don't have consistent Internet, but I talk to my family and friends via Skype, AIM, Facebook and e-mail maybe once a day if I'm lucky."

And as far as money, Catchings wouldn't disclose how much he's making, but he has some of the same extra benefits as the rest of the Panthers playing overseas.

"It's a great deal especially since the team pays for my car, apartment, Internet, cable, phone and income taxes," he said.

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- Editor's Note: Emanuel Dildy could not be reached for comment.

FORMER PANTHERS OVERSEAS



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HENRY DOMERCANT



- Currently playing for Montepaschi (SerieA - Italy).
- Eastern career: 2000-03.
- No. 26 All-Time NCAA scorer with 2,602 points (No. 1 in OVC).
- Holds 15 Eastern single season scoring records.

KYLE HILL



- Currently playing for Alicante II (LEB Gold League - Spain)
- Eastern career: 1998-2001
- Earned OVC First Team honors in 2001 (All-Tournament Team MVP).
- No. 3 all-time Eastern scorer.

EMANUEL DILDY



- Currently playing for Heidelberg (Bundesliga 2 - Germany).
- Eastern career: 2004-05.
- Played two years at New Mexico State before transferring.
- Scored 15.3 ppg as a senior.

JOSH GOMES



- Currently playing for Ramat Gan (Israel Premier League).
- Eastern career: 2003-06.
- Led Eastern in scoring as a senior (16.8 ppg).
- No. 3 in all-time Eastern three-point percentage (.406).

BOBBY CATCHINGS



- Currently playing for Coruna (LEB Silver League - Spain).
- Eastern career: 2004-08.
- Four-year starter for Panthers and finished career with 1,111 points - good for 26th all-time in Eastern history.

JULIO ANTHONY



- Currently playing for Luusanne (LNA League - Switzerland).
- Eastern career: 2007-08.
- Set Eastern record for season free throw percentage (91.5) during 2008 season.

Senior is cool under pressure

Kicker helped secure victory at Illinois State

By RICHARD MORSE
Staff Reporter

In a sport where running backs, quarterbacks and middle linebackers get all the attention, a kicker is often the forgotten soul.

No one cares about the kicker, until the waning moments of a close game.

This past weekend, red-shirt senior kicker Tyler Wilke drilled a 44-yard field goal through the uprights to secure a Panther victory against Illinois State – the first Eastern victory against the Redbirds in six years.

This is not the first time Wilke has been called upon to seal a victory.

Wilke hit the 30-yard game-winning field goal against Tennessee State last year as time expired at LP Field.

Kickers, as well as other specialists, are the ultimate pressure players.

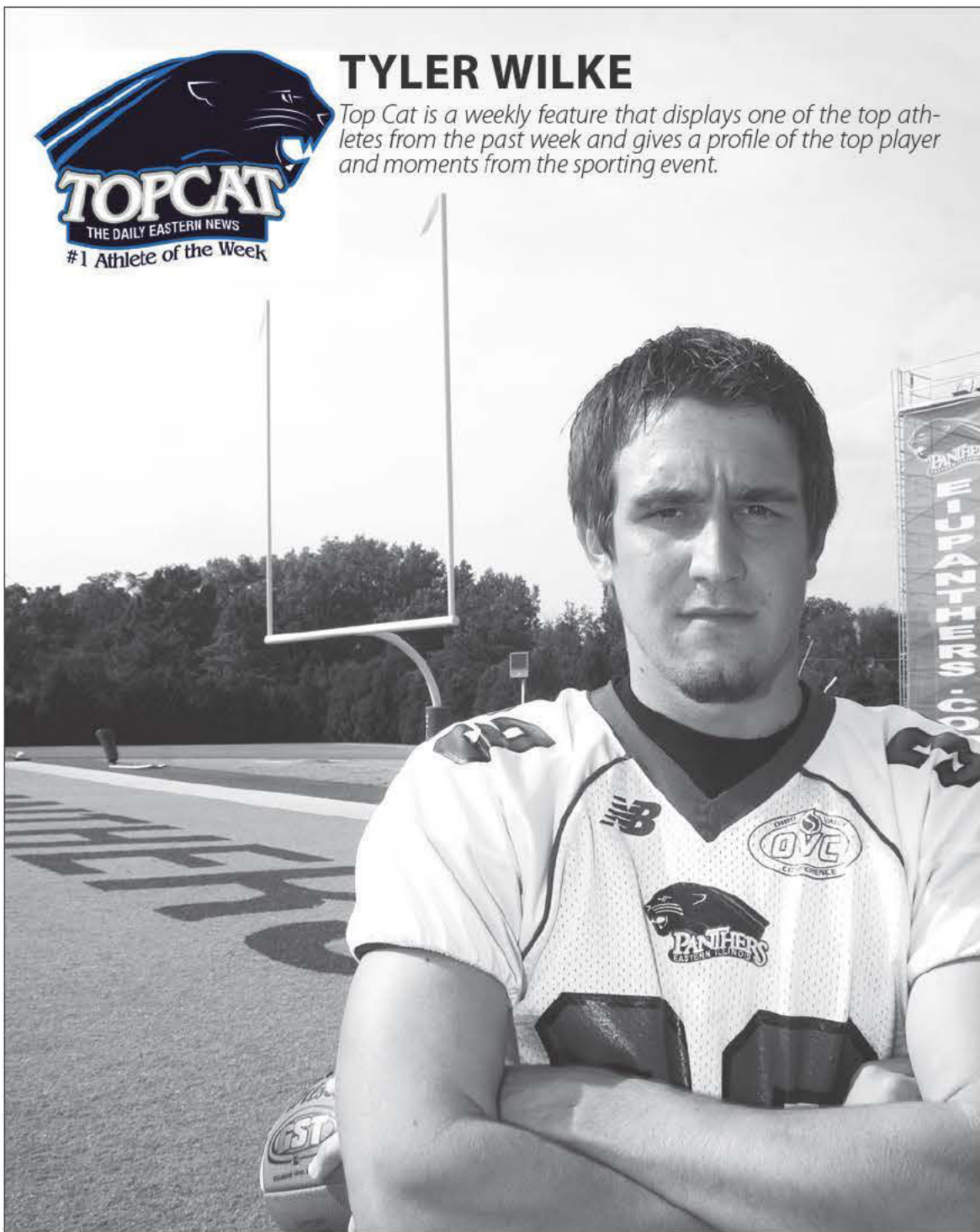
“That’s part of their job to be able to perform in clutch moments; especially after sitting on the sideline all game,” Eastern special teams coach Justin Lustig said.

The Panthers have three kickers and one punter on the roster this year, an impressive number considering most teams at both the collegiate and professional levels have just one of each.

The depth has created an increased amount of competition, which pushes the special teams unit to get better every week.

“I couldn’t be happier with their performance,” Lustig said. “It’s their job (to make pressure plays), and they keep continuing to do it week in and week out.”

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TYLER WILKE

Top Cat is a weekly feature that displays one of the top athletes from the past week and gives a profile of the top player and moments from the sporting event.

AMIR PRELLBERG | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Eastern red-shirt senior kicker Tyler Wilke kicked a 44-yard field goal against Illinois State on Saturday as the Panthers won 25-21. He also kicked a game-winning field goal against Tennessee State last season.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING | SPOTLIGHT

New coach takes a shift with the program

Bos makes changes with both squads

By DAN CUSACK
Assistant Sports Editor

For 42 years, Ray Padavon led the swimming team at Eastern. Now, first year coach Matt Bos will guide the Panthers and is already putting his stamp on the program.

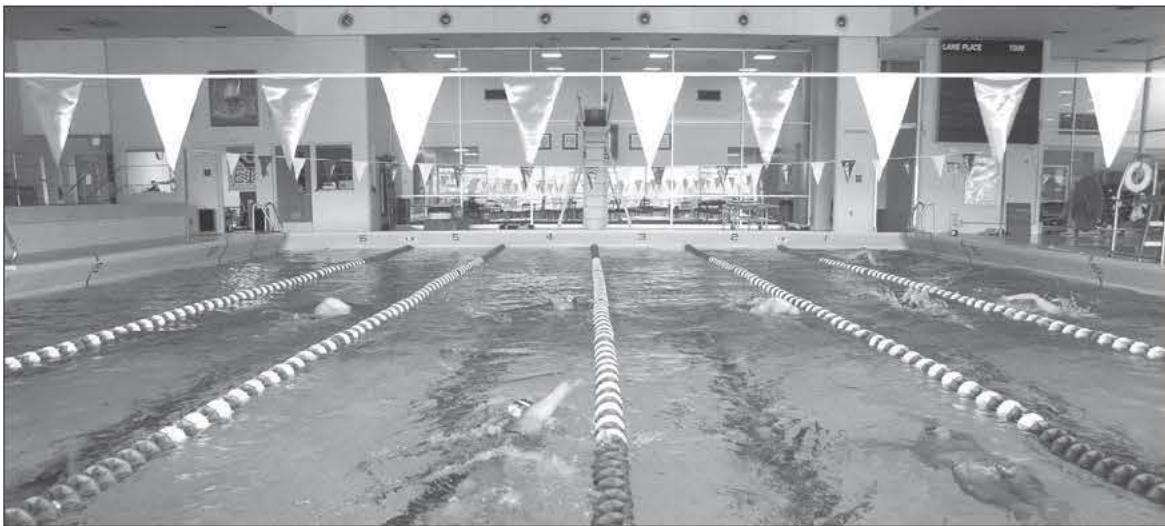
Bos initiated cuts so the team could focus on point scorers and maximize pool space.

“We have a limited facility with six lanes that are 25 yards long,” Bos said. “If we are going to compete we need to use our space wisely.”

Padavon said he made cuts in the past but only when a swimmer was not focused on the sport.

“I usually only did cuts when someone was not doing their job or not making practices,” Padavon said. “Last year I probably ran with too many guys on the men’s team.”

Former Eastern swimmer Matt



ROBBIE WROBLEWSKI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Swimmers perform drills at Ray Padovan Pool on Tuesday afternoon. Both swim teams have made cuts this season. Matt Bos, the first-year coach, started cuts so the team could focus on point scorers and maximize pool space.

Latham said in his four years at Eastern he could not remember the team ever having cuts.

“(Padavon) would have self cuts, where a guy would cut himself if he did not think he could do it,” Latham said.

Bos said a large number of students tried to walk on to the team, which is why the team was forced to make cuts.

“We had to scale back a little bit,” Bos said. “With that many walk-ons sometimes they work, sometimes

they don’t. We had to focus on the people we were comfortable with.”

Bos said the team is down to 18 male swimmers, 20 female swimmers and 2 female divers.

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COLLIN WHITCHURCH

Time to win is now

Eastern women’s soccer head coach Tim Nowak didn’t expect his team to be 0-8-1 entering Ohio Valley Conference play.

No coach enters a season expecting mediocre results, or if they do, they don’t say it in public.

But despite the Panthers’ record Nowak has stayed positive throughout the season thus far.

That may seem crazy, but he has a point.

Nowak kept stressing Eastern’s tough non-conference matches would prepare his team for Ohio Valley Conference play.

As loss after loss piled up, Nowak would say he saw his team getting better in different aspects each match and he said he believed they’re on the right track.

Again, he has a point.

The Panthers have lost a number of winnable matches.

They usually play solid defense and give their forwards a number of opportunities to score.

Unfortunately, that strategy hasn’t worked for the Panthers this season.

The team simply hasn’t been able to take advantage of offensive opportunities, and when they miss out on those opportunities, no matter how good their defense can play, they’re bound to have a breakdown eventually.

But despite these breakdowns and despite the fact that the Panthers have only scored one goal through nine matches, Nowak, and the team, stay positive; saying it’s all about preparing for OVC play.

OVC play begins Friday, so it’s time for the Panthers to win.

It’s time for the tough non-conference play and the improvements the team has made to pay off.

There are no more warm-up matches on the Panthers’ schedule. Eastern needs a win, and it needs a win now.

The Panthers’ program isn’t accustomed to losing like this.

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6 p.m. – Dayton, Ohio

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7 p.m. – Cookeville, Tenn.

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